

U.S. Ambassadors Fund for Cultural Preservation

The U.S. Ambassadors Fund for Cultural Preservation (AFCP) supports a wide range of projects around the world, including in Senegal and Guinea-Bissau, to preserve *cultural* heritage (note: not political or natural resources), such as: the restoration of historic buildings, assessment and conservation of museum collections, archaeological site preservation, documentation of vanishing traditional craft techniques, improved storage conditions for archives and manuscripts, and documentation of indigenous languages. The U.S. Government created the fund in 2001 as a way to assist developing countries preserve their cultural patrimony and demonstrate U.S. respect for other cultures. Project financing generally ranges from \$20,000 to \$50,000 USD. Generally only one project per country is selected. Preservation projects can take place over a period of 12 to 18 months; financing is non-renewable.

If your organization has a project aimed to preserve an essential aspect of culture in your country, consult http://exchanges.state.gov/heritage/afcp.html for more information or call Aminata Samb at 33 829 2340. Proposals are due *by email only (with attachments)* to the US Embassy in Dakar no later than November 30, 2012. Send proposals to: sambaf@state.gov